GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4337
ANSWERED ON:21.08.2000
NHR COMMISSION
SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NHR Commission has requested to the Government for making right to health as a fundamental right in the constitution;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to implement the said suggestion?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. A Workshop on Health and Human Rights with special reference to Maternal Anaemia was organised by the National Human Rights Commission in collaboration with the Department of Women & Child Development and the UNICEF from 26 to 27 April, 2000. The Workshop has inter-alia made a recommendation to Government for making right to health as a fundamental right in the Constitution. The Commission has finalised the report of the Workshop and has adopted certain recommendations of the report for follow up action by the concerned Ministries/Departments.

(c): The Report has just been received and is under examination.